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Good Afternoon – We are planning on replacing four (4) existing transmission line poles in our existing Line 89 & 982 right-of-way east of Peters Mine Road in Ringwood, New Jersey. During a recent site visit, I noticed that our access and pole replacement activities may traverse the above-mentioned superfund site, so I wanted to reach out to gather more information and learn as to whether we would have any constraints associated with our work.

Attached is a map detailing our proposed access routes, which may require some minor grading and vegetation removal, as well as the locations of the poles that need to be replaced. The poles are situated within a DEP-regulated wetland area, therefore extensive matting will be used. We imagine that a truck mounted auger will be used to drill a new hole for the new poles. The old poles would just be cut off at grade. We are currently authorized by the DEP to complete the work and are seeking additional approvals at this time.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I appreciate your time.

Thanks.

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Please remember that restrictions for species who inhabit winter feeding areas (e.g. American Bald Eagle, Short-eared Owl) within our service territory will begin on December 1st and continue through March 31st. For example, an expansive Winter Feeding Area for the American Bald Eagle exists around the Swinging Bridge and Rio Reservoirs, Delaware River, Mongaup River, and Neversink River. The short-eared owl occupies much of our central territory in areas such as Pine Island. We are required by state law to schedule work (e.g. Vegetation Management, Pole Installations, Etc.) outside of this restrictive window in these areas.

